



Pukehina Beach Ratepayers Association Inc.

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Paradise Created by nature and cared for by the Community

**Minutes of the committee meeting Monday September 8th 2014
at 7.30 pm at the Pukehina Beach Fire Brigade hall.**

Present: Meeting opened at 7.30pm. Ian Rodger (chair), John Cook, Stella Cressey, Alex White, Rex Cameron, Bev Nairn, Dallas Bates, Ray Foster, Carole Forrester (committee), Councillor John Scrimgeour (10).

Apologies –Alan Sutherland, Sue Mathews, Kevin Marsh due to illness. Ian moved that apologies be accepted, seconded Stella, carried.

Minutes –

Minutes from the last meeting were circulated. Alex moved the minutes be accepted as a true and accurate record, seconded Carole, carried.

Matters arising from the minutes – An invoice is still to be raised to Pete's Takeaways for sixteen tanks – John.

Correspondence: - Bev

- * Police – Tawhai Schuster with the local crime report
- * WBOPDC response to lighting request for Ororoa park (boat ramp).
- * Letter from the halls committee proposing the power bill share arrangement
- * Letter from Anthony Broadbent seeking approval to launch a jet ski off the beach using a beach access lane (forwarded to WBOPDC)
- * Response from Sue Hammond WBOPDC stating the case re vehicles on the beach
- * TEL August update
- * Colin Adams sent photos of "sections for Sale" (\$20 down and \$20/week) ad Weekly News 1970's and a 1944 land drainage map of the Pukehina swamp for farmland.
- * Fire service invitation for two for the annual awards night. RSVP ASAP

Outwards –

- * WBOPDC requesting solar be considered for boat ramp lighting
- * Letter of appreciation to NZTA for the highway junction upgrade.
- * TECT feedback on community grant activities
- * Response to MOWS that no ceremony around Dotterel point signage is warranted.

Matters arising from the Correspondence –

A response is required to the Fire Service, also a letter responding to the Hall committee. Rex moved the correspondence be accepted, seconded Alex, carried.

Financial Report: - Alex

See appendix I

Alex moved he contact the bank for a more favourable interest rate than the 3.6 offered for the term deposit renewal, seconded Stella, carried.

General Business and Standing items:

Submissions - Ian

The Freedom Camping policy wording is under review. Pukehina has four sites which allow camping for three consecutive nights. The practice is generally viewed as good for local security.

Security camera, roads, signs - Alan

The first store is happy to have a security camera fitted and would be within antenna range of the hall computer unit.

Website & Branding - Stella

Over the first twelve months of operation, the website records 62,000 hits. Regular monthly updating will be done with the inclusion of photos of the ad in the 1970's Weekly News showing sections offered for \$20 down and \$20/week. Another photo shows the 1944 drainage plan for establishing farming on the wetlands.

PBRA Business Plan - Dallas

It was agreed to take the planning to the next level by listing actions, dates and budget – Dallas will prepare a pro-forma for this. This will be easy for routine functions and reporting in Newsletters and AGM. It should also help break the walkway project into 'chunks' that can be done as voluntary labour and available funds allow.

Membership Management Process – Alex

Invoices will be prepared for September despatch with the newsletter. The form for manual payments will be upgraded to align with the website version and provide a tear-off receipt.

Walkway – Ray/John

Ian and John signed the Community Facilities grant deed with WBOPDC paving the way to access the \$50K grant monies, payable on the presentation of invoices. The \$10,800 for consent preparation and fees can now be processed. The grant is valid for twelve months, but can be extended by application.

John, Ray & Dallas will meet to draw up the project plan and submit an application to TECT for \$100K.

Paul Francis has belatedly requested boundary fencing. Peter Watson states they were included in proposal discussions and site visits as a courtesy, but because they are not affected parties they were not formally included in the consultation process. There is no precedent for a fencing requirement anywhere on public/private lands, so will be declined. There are locals keen to do hands-on work on the project.

Dune re-furbishment - Ian

Changes to the draft consent application from Jim Dahm were not able to be done prior to the meeting, but should meet the AGM deadline.

Following on from the Te Puke flooding review, WBOPDC has begun a twelve month look-back at the Coastal Inundation study, reviewing available data and perhaps modifying the current classification boundaries. It involves virtually all Pukehina Beach properties and the results feed into the sand refurbishment consent process.

Dallas raised awareness to the fact that of six insurance companies asked, all declined to offer comprehensive cover for properties with Section 36 inundation risk. Existing policies may also find exception because of non-declaration if a full LIM has not provided. Without private insurance, there is also no EQ/Tsunami cover. Dallas will flesh this out more.

Natural Environment - Bev

The walkway behind the tennis courts is reportedly looking overgrown. Sue Hammond is the contact for a reminder. No further actions are planned for the spit until autumn.

John Scrimgeour mentioned the proposed regional cycleway connecting The Mount, Papamoa, the wetland reserve, Te Tumu to Paengaroa, however the focus is on the western links from Waihi to Omokoroa and Tauranga first.

Community – Rex

Rex moved we accept the Hall Committee proposal to pay \$300 annually towards the power account, beginning 2014, seconded John, carried.

John mentioned the dismal quality broadband we receive from Netsmart, currently the only provider. Fibre won't come to the beach via the rural broadband programme, but Spark

should have wireless coverage here in 2016. Vodafone coverage promises to be very good, at 34MB/sec - we look forward to the new Maketu tower going live.

Newsletter – Ian

In progress for September mailing. Newsletter to accompany invoices to members only.

Wastewater – Ian

Ian has made contact with a guy who will quote for work needed in establishing guidelines for a voluntary maintenance zone.

Stella spoke to Red at Pete's Takaways who says they are having difficulty scheduling the tank cleaning requests. They will propose dates to those listed. Urgency will be applied to invoicing the current 16 completed jobs as it appears enthusiasm for the sponsored scheme has lapsed.

The meeting was closed at 9.30pm. Next meeting date is Monday September 8th.

Approved : November 10th 2014 Signed :

PUKEHINA BEACH RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL REPORT SEPTEMBER 2014

CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE
WESTPAC \$640.45

CHEQUES DRAWN

XERO AUTO PAYMENT	\$43.13
BIZLINK AUTO PAYMENT	<u>\$40.19</u>
TOTAL	\$83.32

DEPOSITS

WBOP. DISCOUNT	
RE: ESTUARY WALKWAY CONSENT	<u>\$200.00</u>
TOTAL	\$200.00

TERM DEPOSIT

WESTPAC @ 4.20% TO MATURE 12TH SEPTEMBER 2014 \$15,000.00

P.B.R.A. COMMUNITY PATROL VEHICLE

WESTPAC BALANCE \$1,556.67

NO ACTIVITY THIS MONTH

PUKEHINA COMMUNITY SPORTS FIELD FUND

WESTPAC BALANCE \$123.95